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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application which is simultaneously filed herewith, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS-

Please amend claims 3, 5-10, 12, 14-16 and 18 to read as follows:

A/ 3. (amended) A nucleic acid according to claim 1 comprising a nucleic acid or functional fragment thereof as